

Ruia Bushman Lewis

1850-1950 Centennial Biography

Ruia Bushman was born November 11, 1889, in Lehi, the daughter of Margaret Laura Zimmerman and Elias Albert Bushman. She was baptized into the Latter-day Saint Church November 11, 1897.

Together with her brothers and sisters she received her early education at Lehi public schools.

On January 9, 1908, she was married to George A. Lewis, and to this union, five children were born, namely : G. Merwyn, Lynn A., Jack D., Nedra (Mrs. T. D. Roberts, Cleora, (Mrs. G. H. Radebaugh).

She was active in Church and civic affairs On June 4, 1922, she became President of the Fifth Ward Primary which position she held for two years. She was a primary counselor in the First Ward for a number of years. In 1924, she became a counselor in the Relief Society to Della Davis and later to Margaret Kirkham in the Lehi Second Ward. She has been a Visiting Teacher most of the time since 1920.

During World War II, she became President of the Athenian Club (A Literary Club) and gave much of her time selling war bonds and also War funds and Red Cross. She was a member of the Old Folks Committee from 1940 to 1949. During the time she was unable to help only once. She was a liberal donor and a firm believer in tithing.

Her home was always open to her children, grandchildren and friends.